letter justifying the need for the endorsement.

- (b) An applicant for a higher grade in the staff department must apply in the same manner as for an original endorsement and must surrender the previous Coast Guard-issued credentials upon issuance of the new MMC. A staff officer may serve in a lower grade of service for which he or she is registered.
- (c) Title 46 U.S.C. 8302 addresses uniforms for staff officers who are members of the Naval Reserve.
- (d) A duplicate MMC may be issued by the Coast Guard. (See §10.229 of this subchapter.)
- (e) An MMC is valid for a term of 5 years from the date of issuance. Procedures for renewing endorsements are found in §10.227 of this subchapter.
- (f) Each applicant for an original or a higher grade of endorsement, as described in paragraph (b) of this section, must produce evidence of having passed a chemical test for dangerous drugs or of qualifying for an exception from testing in §16.220 of this subchapter. An applicant who fails a chemical test for dangerous drugs will not be issued an MMC

§ 11.807 Experience requirements for registry.

- (a) The applicant for a certificate of registry as staff officer must submit evidence of experience as follows:
- (1) Chief purser. Two years of service aboard vessels performing duties relating to work in the purser's office.
- (2) *Purser*. One year of service aboard vessels performing duties relating to work in the purser's office.
- (3) Senior assistant purser. Six months of service aboard vessels performing duties relating to work in the purser's office.
- (4) Junior assistant purser. Previous experience not required.
- (5) Medical doctor. A valid license as physician or surgeon issued under the authority of a state or territory of the United States, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, or the District of Columbia
- (6) Professional nurse. A valid license as a registered nurse issued under authority of a state or territory of the United States, the Commonwealth of

Puerto Rico, or the District of Columbia.

- (7) Marine physician assistant. Successful completion of an accredited course of instruction for a physician's assistant or nurse practitioner program.
- (8) Hospital corpsman. A rating of at least hospital corpsman or health services technician, first class in the U.S. Navy, U.S. Coast Guard, U.S. Marine Corps, or an equivalent rating in the U.S. Army (not less than Staff Sergeant, Medical Department, U.S.A.), or in the U.S. Air Force (not less than Technical Sergeant, Medical Department, U.S.A.F.), and a period of satisfactory service of at least 1 month in a military hospital or U.S. Public Health Service Hospital.
- (b) Employment on shore in connection with a vessel's business may be accepted instead of service aboard vessels. Related shore employment is accepted in the ratio of 2 months of shore service to 1 month of creditable service aboard vessels.
- (c) In computing the length of service required of an applicant for an endorsement, service of one season on vessels on the Great Lakes is counted as service of 1 year.
- (d) In the event an applicant for an endorsement, other than medical doctor or professional nurse, presents evidence of other qualifications that, in the opinion of the Coast Guard, is equivalent to the experience requirements of this section and is consistent with the duties of a staff officer, the Coast Guard may issue the MMC.

§11.821 High-speed craft type-rating.

- (a) This section is only applicable to those persons who will be serving or have served upon those vessels built and operated in accordance with the International Code of Safety for High Speed Craft (HSC Code).
- (b) To qualify for a high-speed craft type-rating endorsement (TRE) for operating vessels to which the HSC Code applies, an applicant must—
- (1) Hold a valid officer endorsement for vessels of commensurate grade, tonnage, route, and/or horsepower; and
- (2) Present evidence of successful completion of a Coast Guard-approved type rating training program.

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- (c) A separate TRE will be issued for each type and class of high speed craft. The original route will be as specified in the approved type rating program. Additional routes may be added to an existing TRE by completing at least 12 roundtrips over each route under the supervision of a type-rated master on the class of high speed craft the TRE will be valid for. Six of the trips must be made during the hours of darkness or a "daylight only" restriction will be imposed.
- (d) A TRE will be valid for 2 years. The expiration date of a TRE will not be changed due to the addition of additional routes.
- (e) To renew a TRE, an applicant must provide evidence of—
- (1) At least 6 months of service in the appropriate position on the type crafts to which the TRE applies during the preceding 2 years, including at least 12 roundtrips over each route, together with evidence of a completed revalidation assessment; or
- (2) Completion of an approved revalidation training program.

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Subpart I—Subjects of Examinations

§11.901 General provisions.

- (a) Where required by \$11.903 of this subpart, each applicant for an endorsement listed in that section must pass an examination on the appropriate subjects listed in this subpart.
- (b) If the endorsement is to be limited in a manner that would render any of the subject matter unnecessary or inappropriate, the examination may be amended accordingly by the Coast Guard. Limitations that may affect the examination content are as follows:
- (1) Restricted routes for reduced service officer endorsements (master or mate of vessels of less than 200 GRT, OUPV, or master or mate (pilot) of towing vessels).
- (2) Limitations to a certain class or classes of vessels.
- (c) Simulators used in assessments of competence required by subpart C of this part must meet the appropriate performance standards set out in Sec-

tion A-I/12 of the STCW Code (incorporated by reference, see §11.102 of this part). However, simulators installed or brought into use before February 1, 2002, need not meet these performance standards if they fulfill the objective of the assessment of competence or demonstration of proficiency.

§11.903 Officer endorsements requiring examinations.

- (a) The following officer endorsements require examinations for issuance:
- (1) Chief mate of ocean or near-coastal self-propelled vessels of unlimited tonnage (examined at the management level).
- (2) Third mate of ocean or near-coastal self-propelled vessels of unlimited tonnage (examined at the operational level).
- (3) Master of ocean or near-coastal self-propelled vessels of less than 1,600 GRT.
- (4) Mate of ocean or near-coastal self-propelled vessels of less than 1,600 GRT.
- (5) Master of near-coastal vessels less than 200 GRT.
- (6) Mate of near-coastal vessels less than 200 GRT.
- (7) Master of near-coastal vessels less than 100 GRT.
- (8) Mate of near-coastal vessels less than 100 GRT.
- (9) Master of Great Lakes and inland vessels of unlimited tonnage.
- (10) Mate of Great Lakes and inland vessels of unlimited tonnage.
- (11) Master of inland vessels of unlimited tonnage.
- (12) Master of river vessels of unlimited tonnage.
- (13) Master of Great Lakes and inland/river vessels less than 500 GRT or less than 1,600 GRT.
- (14) Mate of Great Lakes and inland/river vessels less than $500~\mathrm{GRT}$ or less than $1,600~\mathrm{GRT}$.
- (15) Master of Great Lakes and inland/river vessels less than 200 GRT.
- (16) Mate of Great Lakes and inland/river vessels less than 200 GRT.
- (17) Master of Great Lakes and inland/river vessels less than 100 GRT.
 - (18) First-class pilot.
- (19) Apprentice mate (steersman) of towing vessels.